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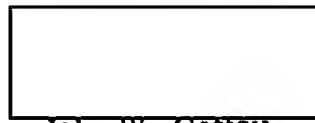
SUBJECT : Director's Comments on Agency Speakers

1. At his Morning Meeting today the Director referred to his session on 21 March with the members of the Advanced Intelligence Seminar. He mentioned being asked a question on an item about which he himself had heard only a few days earlier and he could not understand how this student who had been on the course for some weeks could know about this item. He went on to allude to another question about internal management which reflected attitudes or opinions of senior people who had met with the seminar. He enjoined the Morning Meeting to avoid hand-wringing particularly about internal management worries and meeting with student groups--instead he urged that problems of that nature be brought to his attention first.

2. Mr. Colby injected the thought that he and we were doing a review of courses particularly as related to their personnel significance. He said that this effort did take some time and that we currently were waiting for Mr. Cunningham to return to carry it further.

3. After the meeting Mr. Colby told me that we must have course precis which identify clearly what each speaker is to cover and what positions he is to take--through this means we will ensure that Directorate-level desires are directly represented and that no uncoordinated individual views are understood by students to be Agency or Directorate positions or policies. He evidently believes that there is no control on or knowledge of the content of presentations made by individual speakers particularly at a level lower than the Directorate.

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